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FOR AMBASSADOR DAVIS

REF: STATE 101408

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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIBREVILLE 0653

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (DAVIS, NATHANIEL), PFOR, XA

SUBJ: TRAVEL OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIS -- MEETING WITH PRESS

REF: STATE 101408

1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIS WILL BE MET AT AIRPORT, ON GABONESE SIDE, BY SECRETARY OF STATE AT FOREIGN OFFICE MARTIN REKANGALT (NUMBER TWO IN FONOFF), CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AT FONOFF, AND PROBABLY PRESS AND TV.

2. ALTHOUGH OPENING STATEMENT BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY NOT ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, FIRST PRESS QUESTION, IF THERE IS NO OPENING STATEMENT, LIKELY TO BE PURPOSE OF VISIT.

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FOLLOWING, THEREFORE, IS EMBASSY'S SUGGESTION FOR EITHER

OPENING STATEMENT OR ANSWER TO FIRST QUESTION:

3. QUOTE. MR. SECRETARY OF STATE, GENTLEMEN; I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE IN GABON, A COUNTRY WITH WHICH THE UNITED STATES MAINTAINS CLOSE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS. I HAVE FOLLOWED WITH ADMIRATION THE RAPID AND IMPRESSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF GABON UNDER THE DYNAMIC LEADERSHIP OF PRESIDENT BONGO. I HAVE COME TO SEE AND LEARN ABOUT YOUR COUNTRY. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING PRESIDENT BONGO AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND I HOPE MY BRIEF VISIT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO CONSOLIDATING EVEN FURTHER THE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. END QUOTE.  
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